



Lady Randolph Churchill.

Lady Randolph Churchill is an American lady, a daughter M. Leonard Jerome, and is undoubtedly, at the present time, the most popular American woman in England. It was principally through her and her father's influence that Lord Randolph Churchill secured the high position from which he has just resigned. Her electioneering for her husband was not done of course, in a direct way, but by visiting and making herself agreeable to the electors and their wives and daughters, and together with the efforts of her father, who was then in England, secured to him a triumphant election.

Lord Randolph Churchill gave as the cause of his resignation that he objected to the policy of needless interference in the affairs of other nations, and that there were troubles between himself and colleagues in the cabinet almost from the beginning. This certainly was indicative of his desire to quit the Tories, who are too unprogressive for him. Gladstone caught the drift of the remarks instantly, and proceeded to infer that Churchill would be made welcome into Gladstonian ranks.

General News.

A correspondent of the News at Berlin hears that the whole German army has been called out in sections of 72,000 to drill with repeating rifles.

Commissioner Peck of the New York Bureau of Labor Statistics, reports that there were 1,900 strikes in this State in 1886, against 222 in 1885. The loss in wages is set down at \$2,858,191 and fifty-eight firms reported losses aggregating \$3,000,000. Of the 1,900 strikes, 723, or less than half, were successful, and the increase in wages is estimated at \$937,079. Of the tabulated strikes, 236 were for a reduction of hours, and of these seventy-four were successful. It is estimated by the Commissioner that by this reduction in time, work was created in the trades for 1,083 additional men for a year, or an increase in the pay rolls of \$665,792.

The Senate was agreed to the renewal of the treaty with the Hawaiian Islands, continuing it for seven years longer. Financially we gain nothing by this treaty; yet it is wise that we should have a foothold in these Islands especially in view of the desire of at least three of the large nations of Europe to get possession of them.

The High Court of Justice at Toronto, Canada, has confirmed the verdict of a jury in granting an injunction against a man restraining him from keeping bees, on the ground that they were a public nuisance, stinging children, horses, etc.

There is a tree in Mexico called the oily cocon. Its seed is almost entirely composed of a fatty substance which has sometimes been used in making soap. A quantity of this seed was recently shipped to Europe, and a Stuttgart baker has successfully used the oil as a substitute for lard in making bread and cake. The seeds contain 12 per cent more actual grease than ordinary pork lard and can be kept for months without spoiling. There is said to be a fortune awaiting the man who will go down to Mexico and develop this business.

Paper bed clothes are made at a factory in New Jersey. They are doubled sheets of manilla paper, strengthened with twine. They have a warmth-preserving power far out of proportion to their thickness and weight.

A small boy in Bangor, Me., thought it would be fun to tie paper and straw to his dog's tail and set them afire. The dog ran into the boy's father's barn, which, with an adjoining house, was burned to the ground. Loss \$4,000.

A peculiar sand, known as, "squeaking sand," is found at the boiling spring on the Ira Hill farm in Dayton, Me. When rubbed or pressed in the

hand it emits a succession of sounds which it would defy a tight-fitting door to outdo.

The present cost of operating the railroads of the country with steam power is in round numbers \$502,000,000 per annum; but to carry on the same amount of work with men and horses would cost the country \$11,308,500,000.

A New York scientist says that the earth's polar ice is penetrating the interior of the globe like a wedge, and that as soon as it reaches the furnace there will be an explosion that will split the world into pieces too small for truck patches.

The shameful fact is stated that in this country there is one divorce for every 16 marriages annually. In Europe the rate is one to 300.

There are 8,000 indigent soldiers and sailors who do not receive pensions who are supported in almshouses and other charitable institutions in the United States.

The startling and suggestive fact is stated that of 870 girls arrested in one month in Chicago, only 130 knew how to sew or do household work and not one had learned a trade.

The business failures of 1886 numbered 10,568, being \$48 less than in 1885, and 1,052 less than in 1884. The liabilities aggregated \$113,600,000 and assets \$55,300,000 against \$118,100,000 liabilities and \$52,200,600 assets in 1885.

Herr Windthorst, who has just beaten Prince Bismarck, has been the leader of the German Center for many years. Prince Bismarck and Herr Windthorst are the best of good friends socially. On the occasion of the Prince's receptions Herr Windthorst is usually placed at his right hand.

The Philadelphia Humane Society keeps a boat on runners at the Skating Club's house on the Schuylkill, ready to rescue any one who breaks through the ice. The first rescue of this winter was made on Tuesday, when a twelve-year-old skater ventured on thin ice and went down in twelve feet of water.

It is said that a company of well-to-do San Francisco gamblers propose to add to the excitements of the coming legislative session at Carson, Nev., by opening a faro bank with \$50,000 in the drawer. Any one entering the place will have to buy \$20 worth of checks. Should he not see fit to play he can return the checks on going out and receive his money.

An Oculist's Test.

In a large factory in which were employed several hundred persons, one of the workmen, in wielding his hammer, carelessly allowed it to slip from his hand. It flew half way across the room and struck a fellow-workman in the left eye. The man averred that his eye was blinded by the blow, although a careful examination failed to reveal any injury, there being not a scratch visible. He brought a suit in the courts of compensation for the loss of half of his eyesight, and refused all offers of compromise. Under the law the owner of the factory was responsible for an injury resulting from an accident of this kind, and although he believed that the man was shamming, and that the whole case was an attempt at swindling, he had about made up his mind that he would be compelled to pay the claim. The day of the trial arrived, and in open court an eminent oculist retained by the defence examined the alleged injured member, and gave it as his opinion that it was as good as the right eye. Upon the plaintiff's loud protest of his inability to see with his left eye, the oculist proved him a perjurer, and satisfied the court and jury of the falsity of his claim. And how do you suppose he did it? Why, simply by knowing that the colors green and red combined made black. He prepared a black card on which a few words were written with green ink. Then the plaintiff was ordered to put on a pair of spectacles with two different glasses, the one for the right eye being red and the one for the left eye consisting of ordinary glass. Then the card was handed him, and he was ordered to read the writing on it. This he did without hesitation, and the cheat was at once exposed. The sound right eye, fitted with the red glass, was unable to distinguish the green writing on the black surface of the card, while the left eye, which he pretended was sightless, was the one with which the reading had to be done.—Pottery Gazette.

There was a man in our town and he was wondrous wise. He jumped into a bramble bush and scratched out both his eyes. And when he saw his eyes were out, with all his might and main. He bought a bottle of Salvation Oil, and rubbed them in again.

Germany and France.

Many reports come across the ocean about the movements of France and Germany, and they would make us believe that these nations are soon to engage in another war. While many of these reports are created and circulated in the interests of speculators, there is still much probability of these nations trying their strength again on the field of battle.

The French are an impulsive and approbative people, and they will never cease to watch for an opportunity to again recover from the shame brought on by the France-Prussian war, and to gain possession of the provinces lost in the struggle.

If a war should be precipitated at this time, it will be one of short duration and very fierce, as was the last one engaged between these powers.

The German army is now said to be under training. Bismarck proposes to show that he will be ready for a contest when it comes; and between these nations there will be no fooling. If there is any purpose of the kind, they will go at it, and settle the difference between them by the sword.

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 No. 37, Way Fr. (" " " 2:17 P M
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A Paris correspondent, describing his approach to the heart of the catacombs of Paris, says: After traveling in this way two hours, I thought things were growing monotonous, but thus far were only approaching the catacombs. On each side of us as we went along were branches, the access to which were barred by chains; but the chains were unnecessary so far as we were concerned, for no one felt tempted to strike out into strange paths here.

After awhile, however, we came to the skulls and bones which we had expected to see, and we found miles of them. They are corded up on both sides with the utmost regularity; a few layers of tibias, or femurs, and then a layer of skulls, then tibias, and then skulls, and then femurs, with ribs and dorsal vertebrae thrown in to break the monotony of the scene.

It is said that the bones of over 3,000,000 people are deposited in these catacombs, and the subterranean passages for their reception extend all over this part of the city, and are capable of indefinite extension.

There were quarries here once, where they took out a kind of clay which hardened into stone by exposure to the air, and there was danger of the upper surface caving in; they strengthened the walls and partitions inside, and conceived the idea of utilizing the space thus secured by removing the remains from the overcrowded cemeteries.

This practice has been carried on for over one hundred years, and this gives room for the Parisian of today to be buried in the cemeteries above ground, when, after a number of years, he will take his place with his subterranean predecessors, unless his family is rich enough to buy a burying ground in perpetuity.

The majority of lots, I heard, are only sold for a certain number of years, and not in fee, so that most Parisians will eventually find themselves in the catacombs.

There was little ornamentation along the passages; occasionally a text of Scripture in Latin or French was engraved or painted on the walls, but if there were any rooms or chapels, as at Rome, they were not shown us.

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